Amendments to the Specification :

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 29, (and extending to page 6) as follows:

Fig. 1 shows of a convertible vehicle 1 the roof 4 with a front roof part 2 and a rear roof part 3 and the operating mechanism 5 therefor, which comprises a main operating arm 6 and another operating arm, which is formed by, or integrally with, the C-column 7. Both operating arms are pivotally supported on the vehicle body on pivot axes 8 and 9 and are interconnected by way of a coupling 10. The coupling 10 is associated with the front roof part 2 and the rear window of the rear roof part is firmly or releasably connected to the C-columns ~~3~~ 7.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 22 as follows:

The cover 14 comprises a front cover part 15 and a rear cover part 16, wherein the rear cover part 16 is disposed in the area of the gap which accommodates the rear roof part 3, when it extends through the waistline 13 when the roof 4 is closed. Adjacent the rear roof part 3, there is a vehicle body part 17 which may be a fixed part of the vehicle body or a lid, specifically the trunk lid which, depending on the total arrangement, may be pivoted open upwardly toward the front for loading the trunk or, selectively, upwardly toward the rear ~~so~~ for transferring the vehicle roof 4 between its open and closed positions.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 13 as follows:

As part of the drive linkage 18, the storage compartment cover 14 is provided with a support console ~~20~~ 19, which is pivotable about a vehicle body based pivot axis 20, which extends near the support console ~~20~~ 19 next to the waistline 13.

Firmly connected to the support console 19 is the front cover part 15, to which the rear cover part 16 of the storage compartment ~~16~~ cover 14 is pivotally connected. Fig. 4 shows the flat cover positions of the front and rear cover parts 15 and 16 with the roof 4 deposited in the storage compartment 12. Fig. 2 shows the front cover part 15 in the cover position in accordance with Fig. 4 essentially in the plane of the vehicle waistline 13 and the rear cover part 16 pivoted downwardly below the front cover part 15 whereby the gap for accommodating the rear roof part 3 in the closed position of the vehicle roof 4 is established.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 27 as follows:

The rear cover part 16 includes an extension 22 which is supported on the support console 19 ~~near~~ at a pivot axis 21, which is stationary with respect to the support console 19. A support lever 23 is linked to the extension 22 of the rear cover part 16 by way of a pivot-joint 60, which is spaced from the pivot axis 21. ~~and~~ The support lever 23 extends essentially in the direction of the closed cover parts 15 and 16 and is linked to one end of a double arm lever 24 by way of a pivot joint 25. The double arm lever 24 is supported at the longitudinal center area thereof by a vehicle body-based pivot joint ~~25~~ 26 and, at its end opposite the support lever 23 is connected by way of ~~an~~ a joint 27 to a drive arm 28. The drive arm 28 is linked to the C-column 7, eccentrically to the pivot axis 9 ~~thereof~~ of the C-column, by way of the pivot joint 29 ~~to the C-column 7~~, which forms one arm of the roof operating mechanism 5. As a result of this interconnection between the C-column 7 and the rear cover part 16, the rear cover part 16 is pivoted along with the pivot movement of the C-column 7.